

Table 4.3 Natural Gas Drilling Activity in Utah by Well Type, 1960-2008

Number of Wells

Year	New Field Wildcat ¹	Extension ¹	Development ¹	Dry ²	Total
1960	9	6	9	18	42
1961	7	13	26	43	89
1962	10	11	21	36	78
1963	4	9	18	34	65
1964	1	4	7	18	30
1965	2	6	20	21	49
1966	1	2	6	9	18
1967	1	1	12	15	29
1968	0	4	8	17	29
1969	1	5	5	14	25
1970	3	1	6	8	18
1971	2	1	4	10	17
1972	4	2	8	9	23
1973	6	14	10	15	45
1974	2	2	8	6	18
1975	2	2	6	6	16
1976	2	2	9	12	25
1977	9	1	40	28	78
1978	12	5	88	57	162
1979	9	7	93	58	167
1980	9	19	71	82	181
1981	18	31	119	94	262
1982	15	14	107	69	205
1983	16	10	84	60	170
1984	6	1	73	37	117
1985	1	4	63	26	94
1986	2	3	48	19	72
1987	4	3	17	14	38
1988	6	3	18	13	40
1989	0	4	12	6	22
1990	9	3	11	5	28
1991	1	2	89	22	114
1992	13	9	201	39	262
1993	45	0	62	20	127
1994	5	2	83	18	108
1995	11	12	40	12	75
1996	17	9	25	8	59
1997	8	40	105	13	166
1998	10	41	222	18	291
1999	6	49	181	12	248
2000	13	98	220	15	346
2001	19	134	331	28	512
2002	30	53	274	31	388
2003	6	22	239	23	290
2004	7	13	334	14	368
2005	33	39	380	22	474
2006	na	na	na	32	694
2007	na	na	na	39	643
2008	na	na	na	29	788

¹Producing & shut-in²Temporarily-abandoned & plugged and abandonedSource: Petroleum Information Corporation, *Drilling Success Summary* for 1960-1989
[Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining for 1990-2008 data](#)

Note: For additional drilling information, please see the petroleum chapter.